



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
VELCULESCU *et al.*) Group Art Unit: 1631
Serial No. 09/335,032) Examiner: J. Martinell
Filed: June 16, 1999) Atty. Docket No. 001107.78572
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For: **CHARACTERIZATION OF THE YEAST TRANSCRIPTOME**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment accompanies a request for continued examination of the application referenced above and responds to rejections maintained in the Final Office Action mailed February 3, 2003.

Claims 32, 35-37, 43, and 44 are pending and are currently rejected. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on August 4, 2003 but have not filed a Brief on Appeal.

We believe no fee is due in connection with this paper. If any fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

A compact disc containing the results of BLAST searches of each of the 16 yeast chromosomes accompanies this amendment.